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## Rescuers in China scramble to find quake survivors



An elderly woman walk beside the wreckage of her home after a magnitude 7.0 earthquake hit Lushan, Sichuan Province. (AFP)

LUSHAN (AFP) - Thousands of rescue workers combed through flattened villages in southwest China in a race to find survivors from a powerful quake as the toll of dead and missing rose past 200.

Dressed in bright orange uniforms, rescuers battled their way up mountain paths strewn with wreckage to reach isolated parts of Sichuan province on the edge of the Tibetan Plateau.

Troops had worked through the night, searching villages where houses had been de-

stroyed for survivors and treating those injured in the quake.

The death toll rose to at least 186, the official Xinhua news agency said, but reports of casualties slowed yesterday.

More than 11,300 people were injured and 21 remain missing, Xinhua said, citing local officials.

The rescue operation was hampered by huge queues of traffic -- some stretching back for 20 kilometres (12 miles) -- clogging roads into the disaster zone.

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## US probe shifts to Boston bomb suspect's travel

BOSTON (AFP) - With the hospitalized Boston bombing suspect unable to speak, attention shifted yesterday to his dead brother, who may have been radicalized or even trained in the Caucasus last year.

US lawmakers questioned why Tamerlan Tsarnaev, 26, killed in a shootout, did not raise more red flags despite being questioned at the request of a foreign government in 2011 and spending six months in the volatile region in 2012.

"Clearly something happened in my judgment in that six-month timeframe... I'm very concerned," Representative Michael McCaul, chairman of the House Homeland Security committee, told CNN's "State of the Union."

"I personally believe that this man received training when he was over there and he radicalized from 2010 to the present."

Republican Senator Lindsey Graham and Democratic Senator Chuck Schumer, appearing on the same show, also expressed concern about the older Tsarnaev.

"It's people like this that



Aerial view shows Investigators working around the boat where Dzhokhar A. Tsarnaev was found hiding after the massive manhunt, in the backyard of a Franklin Street home. (AFP)

you don't want to let out of your sight, and this was a mistake," Graham said about the elder of the two brothers, ethnic Chechens who had been living in the United States for a decade.

"I don't know if our laws are insufficient or the FBI failed, but we're at war with radical Islamists and we need to up our game."

Dzhokhar Tsarnaev, 19, meanwhile remained in a heavily guarded hospital, reportedly unable to speak because of a throat wound

suffered in the violent chase that shut down Boston for most of the day Friday.

The FBI would only say that he was still in "serious condition."

The Tsarnaev brothers are the main suspects in the double bomb attack on the Boston marathon which killed three people and wounded about 180. A policeman was killed and another was seriously wounded in a shootout with the suspects.

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CARACAS : AFP photo, released by Miraflores press office shows (C-top to bottom) newly sworn-in Venezuelan President Nicolas Maduro, his Nicaraguan counterpart Daniel Ortega, Venezuelan first lady Cilia Flores, and her Nicaraguan counterpart Rosario Murillo visiting the tomb of late Venezuelan President Hugo Chavez in Caracas yesterday.



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# SETAR celebrating 10 years as NV with Young Blood Foundation



SETAR N.V., together with Young Blood Foundation and other sponsors every year support kite flying competitions. This year they have decided to make its celebration even bigger. This year's celebration has been dubbed: "Kite Slam 2013, Oranje Boven."

Richard Paesch, Young Blood Foundation President, management of Lifida and members of the organizing commission of the 2013 kite competition, explained that they are dedicating this year's event to the Royal Family. For years the event took place

on April 30, our Queen's Birthday. Everyone is kindly requested to come dressed in orange colors for the competition on April 30 in honor of our Queen. This is also a request of the Governor of Aruba.

Maurice Kelly, of SETAR Corporate Communications Department, indicated that in conjunction with SETAR's 10th anniversary as an NV, the company is sponsoring the competition on April 30. The theme: SETAR 10 years as NV. Since this is the last year that we will celebrate Queen's Birthday and next

year we will celebrate King's Birthday, this year is very special.

SETAR will be on Jong Aruba field to enjoy the event. It is inviting everyone to come and actively participate in this kite flying competition.

Secretary of Young Blood Foundation Anthony Koolman is very grateful for all the sponsors and for everyone who have helped over the years supporting this kite flying competition, which has grown to be a big event today. The goal of the competition is to continue kite flying on Aruba and to collect funds for the Jong Aruba Lifida Minor team and Major AVB youth division.

**Competition days are:**  
**Friday April 26,** competition with kites equipped with lights. Competition is between 7:30 to 11:00 pm. Registration begins at 6:30pm.

The categories are: 1 to 2.5 meters. Sponsored that night by ELMAR NV and Diario

**Saturday, April 27th:** competition in the morning from 9:00am to 7:30pm. SETAR will be the sponsor for this day with cash and other prizes.

Categories are: A: 0.50m – 1.00m, B: 1.05 m – 1.50m, C: 1.55m – 2.00m

The A and B categories will fly 6 kites alongside each other. Category C will have 4 kites flying together. Sponsors are TEMPO NV and Diario with SETAR giving a separate prize.

**Tuesday, April 30th,** the competition will be all day, beginning at 9:30 am to 7:30pm and there will be 3 categories: D -2.50 – 3.25 m; E- 3.50 -4.25m; F- 4.30 - 5.00m

Registration has already begun and will continue through April 22nd.

# Aruba Bank reveals its first YES! Car Loan Campaign winner



The popular YES! Car Loan Campaign was just recently launched by Aruba Bank and was enthusiastically received by bank clients taking advantage of the different offers featured in the campaign, including a very attractive interest rate, payments delayed for 3 months, a USD 1,000.- credit card or a AWG 2,500 ArubaCard and payment terms of up to 6 years. Additionally, as an extra bonus, Aruba Bank will be raffling AWG 500 in gasoline vouchers among clients who buy a car or a motorcycle, during the lifetime of the campaign.

Last week, Aruba Bank had the pleasure of issuing the gas voucher prize to the first winner of the month. Mirella Koolman was the lucky one,

expressing her complete satisfaction with her new car, purchased under favorable terms and with her ability to ride around, at zero cost, no having to pay for gas for a while.

Mirella is one of the many happy clients who visited their car dealers and decided to take out a loan with the Aruba Bank YES! Car Loan Campaign, resulting in her driving a brand new vehicle of her own.

Aruba Bank would like to congratulate the first winner, and remind everyone that they may also apply for a loan online at [www.arubabank.com](http://www.arubabank.com). Aruba Bank will be announcing an additional attractive feature shortly, designed to facilitate car purchases even further!

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## ISA shows off their colors and curriculum for their annual Fair and Open House



**A line of flags representing all the nationalities that attend the school.**

Saturday, April 20, the International School of Aruba, or ISA, welcomed visitors to observe and assess their accomplishments and school spirit of their students, both in the classroom and on the playing field. This fun day of fundraising included bingo sessions, great BBQ, a Flea Market, and playing fields of soccer, beach tennis and beach volleyball plus a Book Fair for young readers and a Children's Book Club from 10-11, among their many booths and exhibitions devised by students of the school.

Friendly staff greeted visitors and conducted school tours and Science, Math and



**Minister Hooyboer Winklaar enjoys fun time with daughter Morgan**



**Aruba Autism Foundation received 10 percent of proceeds from raffle sales**

Dutch teaching demonstrations. The ISA is known for their advanced education programs and the diversity of nationalities that attend the school, as well as their community spirit. This was ex-

pressed on Saturday by providing an information booth for Aruba's Autism Foundation volunteers, and setting aside 10% of the proceeds from their fundraising raffle for the FAA to continue their important work.

The raffle offered fabulous prizes, including six vacation trips to various Wyndham Resorts in the Caribbean and U.S. The first prize was a choice of a the first year's tuition at the ISA or a new car. Tickets for their raffle are still available, and their final drawing will be on June 10.

Families with children at the school, or considering it for their youngsters enjoyed the fund day of education and athletics for higher learning.

*Rosalie Klein*



**Families enjoyed great BBQ for a good cause**

## Heineken searches for the Ultimate Fan in Aruba



As some of the best football teams in the world battle it out to reach the UEFA Champions League (UCL) Final, Heineken has announced the launch of its 'Heineken Ultimate Fan Aruba' campaign to celebrate its seventh consecutive year sponsoring the UCL.

This April, Heineken launches the quest to find the biggest, or Ultimate Heineken fan on Aruba. This ultimate

Heineken fan and one friend will be rewarded with an all-inclusive VIP screening of the UEFA Champions League final in IBIZA! Moving beyond just a viewing event, the Heineken Ibiza Final will bring together the best of club football and music in one spectacular night to create an unbelievable VIP experience.

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## The Koenigsberg family honored at the Westin Beach Resort

Recently, a very nice family who are loyal guests of the Westin Beach Resort, were honored as Distinguished Visitors and Ambassadors of Goodwill of Aruba. The honorees were Mr. Stephen and Mrs. Justine Koenigsberg as Ambassadors of Goodwill and their daughter



Hayley as distinguished Visitor of Aruba. The Koenigsberg family love the Island very much. According to them Aruba feels like a second home and the people are like a family to them, most specially the staff of the Westin. The certificates were presented to them by Mr. Ernest Giel, representing the Aruba Tourism Authority, together with Ms. Somaly Felten, Juan Carlos, Andreas, Mr. Richard Roy GM at the Westin Beach Resort, and other family members of the Koenigsberg.

## Heineken searches for the Ultimate Fan in Aruba

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Heineken Balls and Liter Bottles

Fans are encouraged to engage with the Heineken Ultimate Fan Aruba campaign via [www.facebook.com/Ulimate-FanAruba](http://www.facebook.com/Ulimate-FanAruba). To participate fans have to submit a 40 second video, explaining why they are the ultimate fan on Aruba, fans can upload their video or even record it directly on [www.ultimatefanaruba.com](http://www.ultimatefanaruba.com).

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## Robert and Roberta Cuzzi honored by ATA



Recently, the Aruba Tourism Authority honored Mr. Robert and Mrs. Roberta Cuzzi from Tewksbury, Massachusetts, as Ambassadors of Goodwill of Aruba. The symbolic honorary title is presented in the name of the Minister of Tourism as a token of appreciation to guests who visit Aruba for 20 or more consecutive years. The certificate was presented to them by Mr. Ernest Giel, representing the Aruba Tourism Authority, together with Gloria Janga and Miriam Rodriquez of the Costa Linda Beach resort, the Cuzzi's home away from home.



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## Regular island visitor Zack Regerstein explores career possibilities while on Aruba



**Martin watch while Zack prepares a Tiramisu**

Fifteen-year-old Zachary Regerstein has been vacationing every year on Aruba since he was less than a year old, and considers the island his second home. He and his family stay at the Marriott Surf and Ocean Clubs for at least a week or more every April.

Over the years, they had dined frequently at Ventanas Del Mar restaurant, warmly welcomed annually by the eatery's manager Martin Haselhoef, until a few years ago, when Martin opened his own restaurant by Eagle

2012, and noticed Carambola, a place they had never tried before, was rated #5 of Aruba's 200+ restaurants, on TripAdvisor.

They chose to visit the restaurant as a memorial to Zack's grandmother, Sandy Reizoff, who had always accompanied the family on their annual visits, but sadly had passed away one year prior. They opted remember her on Sandy's birthday, April 18th, with a gourmet dinner they were sure she would have enjoyed.

Beach, called Carambola.

It was Zack's younger brother, Jared, who took the first step in taking Zack on a path that would end in him realizing a dream, interning in the kitchens of a busy gourmet restaurant. Jared was checking out new restaurants in Aruba prior to the family's visit in

While at Carambola, Zack's mom recognized Martin, as he did her, and the dinner turned into a poignant reunion, as Martin, after inquiring after Sandy, a patron for which he had very warm memories, was saddened to hear of her passing. He was also amazed to see the little boys he had thought so cute, were now quite grown up. A lengthy chat with the family revealed that Zack had a keen interest in gourmet cooking, and was considering it as a career, along with financial management and engineering.

Martin and Zack kept in touch through e-mail over the past year. When Zack expressed his desire to be a chef, Martin invited him to learn from his veteran staff by interning for a few days in the Carambola kitchens during their 2013 sojourn on Aruba.

"This has been great," expressed Zack, "a huge eye-opening for me; I learned what it really means to work in a busy, commercial kitchen." Not in the least turned off by the hectic pace or demands, Zack ties on his chef's apron with relish to set up the famed



**Zack and the Carambola Crew**

Carambola Salad, onion soup, and Grandma Randy's particular favorite, Tiramisu dessert. "I watch the Food Network and programs like 'Cake Boss,' all the time, but they don't come anywhere near the energy of actually being in a restaurant kitchen. Nothing is quite like that excitement you get when patrons come back at you with compliments on the food and presentation."

A very bright and determined young man, Zack plans to explore his other career choices by attending "camp classes" for teenagers in their

chosen areas of interests at the University of Michigan and University of California this coming summer. He is living proof at 15 that teenagers can be well-rounded with diverse interests, and determined to work for a rewarding future.

Martin Haselhoef and his wife expressed their delight at hosting Zack in their kitchen, citing his enthusiasm as "most enjoyable for all the staff. He is now firmly entrenched as part of the Carambola family."

*Rosalie Klein*



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## INTERNATIONAL NEWS

### US probe shifts to Boston bomb suspect's travel

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Counter-terrorism agents trained in interrogating "high-value" detainees were waiting to question Dzhokhar -- who is being treated at the same hospital as many of the marathon bombing victims -- a law enforcement official told AFP.

Officials have reportedly invoked a "public safety" legal exception that will allow them to question Tsarnaev without reading him his rights.

Graham and fellow Republican Senator John McCain have led calls for the teenager to be declared an "enemy combatant," which would give him the same status as Guantanamo "war on terror" detainees.

Legal rights groups have meanwhile insisted he be given a criminal trial, even though Tsarnaev would likely face the death penalty.

Dzhokhar was caught after

a man named Dave Henneberry saw blood on boat he kept in his backyard in Watertown, in the Boston suburbs. When Henneberry lifted the tarp he saw the wounded teenager curled up inside, police said.

After law enforcement flooded into the area, thermal images taken by a police helicopter showed Tsarnaev lying in the covered boat as a robotic arm lifted the cover so cameras could peek inside.

Over the weekend crowds gathered outside the home of Henneberry -- who has gone into hiding to escape the media blitz -- craning their necks to gaze at his bullet-riddled and blood-smeared 1980s boat.

Fifty-eight of the victims from the bomb attack are still in Boston hospitals, with three in critical condition.

### Rescuers in China scrabble... survivors

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Boulders the size of cars littered streets in Lushan county, the epicentre of the earthquake.

More than 1,300 aftershocks have followed since the quake struck Saturday morning. Chinese seismologists registered the tremor at 7.0 magnitude while the US Geological Survey gave it as 6.6.

Firefighters helped by sniffer dogs have pulled 91 people alive from the rubble, Xinhua said, citing the Ministry of Public Security.

At Lushan People's Hospital, a steady stream of ambulances continued to arrive yesterday. Most victims were taken to tents erected in the grounds of the hospital, where doctors treated the injured.

President Xi Jinping ordered all-out efforts to min-

imise casualties, Xinhua said.

Quake-prone Japan, which has been mired in tensions with China over a high-seas territorial dispute, offered any help that is required.

"Japan is ready to offer its maximum support," Prime Minister Shinzo Abe said in a message to Xi and Li, according to Japan's foreign ministry.

In Rome, Pope Francis said his "thoughts go to the numerous people" affected by the

disaster.

"We pray for the victims and for those who are having to endure suffering because of this violent earthquake," he said during Sunday prayers in St Peter's Square.

China's foreign ministry thanked the international community for offers of assistance, but said "foreign rescue teams and medical materials are not required now", due to difficulties reaching the disaster-area.

### Half of Guantanamo on hunger strike

WASHINGTON (AFP) - More than half of the 166 detainees held at the US-run Guantanamo military prison have joined a rapidly growing hunger strike to protest their indefinite detention, an official said yesterday.

There are 84 inmates who are refusing food, including 16 on feeding tubes, five of whom are hospitalized, Lieutenant Colonel Samuel House said in a statement, adding that none had "life-threatening conditions."

House said that as recently as Friday there were 63 inmates who were refusing to eat. On Tuesday of last week just 45 were taking part.

The hunger strikers are protesting their incarceration without charge or trial at Guantanamo in the 11 years since the prison went into use for terror suspects detained in Afghanistan and Pakistan.

The hunger strikes began February 6, when inmates claimed prison officials searched their Korans for contraband. Officials have denied any mishandling of Islam's holy book.

### Venezuela election official plays down vote audit

CARACAS -- The electoral commission in Venezuela has said an audit of last Sunday's disputed presidential vote will not affect Nicolas Maduro's victory.

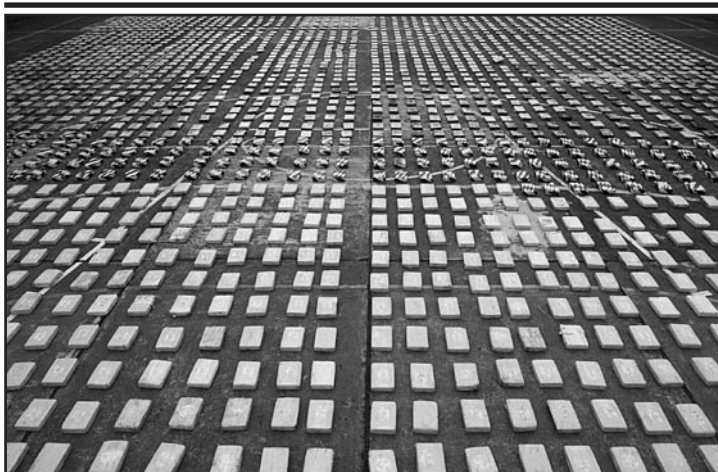
Mr Maduro's main challenger, Henrique Capriles, agreed to the electronic audit after withdrawing his demand for a manual recount.

Officially, he lost by a margin of 1.8 percentage points.

The electoral commission's deputy head, Sandra Oblitas, said that the result was "irreversible".

The audit, which was agreed just before Mr Maduro was sworn in as president, is expected to take about a month.

Mr Capriles believes there were voting irregularities.



**APARTADO** : View of packages of cocaine during a press conference at a police station in Apartado, Antioquia department, Colombia, yesterday. Some three tons on cocaine were seized allegedly to the criminal gang 'Los Urabenos.' The Urabeños are the last of Colombia's new-generation criminal groups (known as the BACRIM - from the Spanish "bandas criminales") which still has a national presence, according to the Colombian government. The Urabeños are some of the principal suppliers of cocaine to Mexican cartels, among them the brutal Zetas. The drug was worth some \$75 million on the black market. (AFP PHOTO)

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## International News

### Koch brothers mull big US newspaper buy

WASHINGTON (AFP) - Billionaire industrialists Charles and David Koch -- famous for bankrolling small-government causes -- are weighing a bid to buy several top US newspapers, the New York Times reported Sunday.

Koch Industries, a company owned by the brothers, is mulling the purchase of several regional newspapers owned by the struggling Tribune Company, including the Los Angeles Times, the Chicago Tribune, the Baltimore Sun, the Orlando Sentinel and the Hartford Courant, according to the Times.

Koch Industries backs a number of libertarian causes, including policy groups like the Cato Institute think tank in Washington.

The Koch brothers also were behind the formation of the Americans for Prosperity political action group, which supports many causes backed by ultra-conservative Tea Party groups, although they are not formally affiliated.

If the sale goes through, it would be among the largest sales of newspapers by circulation in the country.

The Tribune Company -- a \$7 billion media conglomerate that also owns 23 television stations -- has struggled in recent years and is selling off its print properties after emerging from bankruptcy late last year.

The Los Angeles Times is the fourth-largest paper in the United States by circulation, while the Chicago Tribune is ninth. The deal could also include Hoy, the second-largest Spanish-language daily newspaper, The Times wrote.

The newspaper said that by early next month, the Tribune Company is expected to send financial data to "serious suitors" and that Koch Industries is among those interested.

It said another possible purchaser is Rupert Murdoch's News Corp, but that the company is only interested in acquiring the Los Angeles Times.

Billionaire Democratic donors Eli Broad and Ronald Burkle were also said to have been interested in purchasing one or more of the dailies.

The Tribune Company reportedly is seeking to sell all eight papers and their operations as a bundle. It could decide to hold onto the dailies, however, if it fails to draw a sufficiently attractive offer.

### US academic gang-raped in PNG

PORT MORESBY (AFP) - A US academic has been gang-raped by an armed mob in Papua New Guinea, barely a week after an Australian was killed and his friend sexually assaulted by a group of men.

The incidents come after a brutal spate of sorcery-related crimes that have sparked condemnation from the United Nations and undermined the poor Pacific country's standing as a destination for tourism and investment.

In the latest case, the white academic told AFP that she was attacked on Friday while conducting research on birds and the impact of climate change in a remote forest on Karkar Island in Madang province.

Police in the capital Port Moresby on Sunday confirmed the attack.

The 32-year-old was walking along a bush track with her husband and a guide when nine men armed with rifles and knives ambushed them, stripping the husband and guide naked and tying them up, she said.

CARACAS (AFP) - A top election official warned the opposition against raising "false expectations" over an audit of Venezuela's presidential election, saying it cannot overturn President Nicolas Maduro's win.

Opposition candidate Henrique Capriles accepted the expanded audit in lieu of a vote-by-vote recount on the eve of Maduro's swearing-in Friday, helping to ease tensions that had led to eight deaths in post-election protests.

Capriles on week-end said his campaign, which announced it had formed a team to act as witnesses to the audit,

was preparing for a protracted challenge to the results of the April 14 elections but expressed confidence that the truth would prevail.

But Sandra Oblitas, the vice president of the National Election Council, told a press conference the audit could not change the outcome of the election, and the result could only be challenged before the Supreme Court.

Oblitas urged the opposition "not to create false expectations over what is a technical audit that has been done before and that in no way overturns electoral results."

She said that the review, which is to take 30 days, would involve comparisons of paper receipts of electronic votes casts with the electronic tallies, while Capriles and his aides in-

dicated they would be seeking other voting records as well.

The latest turn came amid a contentious start to the new administration, with the opposition accusing the government of mass arrests of protesters around the country and harassing public employees suspected of voting for Capriles.

Maduro, who replaced the late Hugo Chavez, had said he was ready for dialogue with the opposition but coupled that with warnings he would take a "hard line" against those promoting a coup d'etat.

The opposition charged that 242 people have been arrested since Monday for banging pots and pans in nightly protests against official election results that gave Maduro a victory by 1.8 per cent over Capriles.

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## Health & Living

### 20 dead from China bird flu

BEIJING (AFP) - The death toll from a new strain of bird flu in China has reached 20, with dozens infected, state media reported Sunday, as experts said there was no evidence so far of human-to-human transmission.

The H7N9 virus has been detected in 102 people, mostly in eastern China, including 20 cases which proved fatal, Xinhua news agency said after the latest daily update from the National Health and Family Planning Commission.

A total of 33 infections, including 11 deaths, have been reported in the eastern commercial centre of Shanghai.

The Chinese Center for Disease Control and Prevention

had earlier said 40 percent of patients with H7N9 had not come into contact with poultry, raising questions about how people are becoming infected.

It also emerged that the virus had spread among family members in Shanghai, raising fears that it was passing between humans.

Referring to those cases on Friday, WHO representative Michael O'Leary said investigators were trying to determine whether there had been human-to-human transmission between family members.

A team of international health experts is on a week-long mission in Beijing and Shanghai to investigate the virus, for which no vaccine currently exists.

Taiwan said Sunday it had received H7N9 specimens from China as the island battles to avoid the epidemic.

"The virus could be used in producing vaccines and diagnosis," said Liu Shih-hao of the Centers for Disease Control in Taiwan.

Since China announced nearly three weeks ago that it had found the strain in people for the first time, almost all of the cases have occurred in Shanghai and four nearby provinces while one appeared in Beijing.

Experts fear the prospect of such viruses mutating into a form easily transmissible between humans, which would then have the potential to trigger a pandemic.

### In Gabon, fear of ritual crime sparks social media campaign

LIBREVILLE (AFP) - The discovery of a young girl's body on a Libreville beach last month shocked the city and reignited the debate over ritual killings in Gabon, sparking outrage on social media sites and forcing President Ali Bongo Ondimba to react.

The young girl disappeared after going swimming. Her battered body was discovered the next day, several hundred metres away.

Her body was badly mutilated, and while there's no

proof she was the victim of a ritual killing, the fear of such crimes here has led to her case being widely publicised.

Ritual crimes are practised by secret sects involved in witchcraft. They usually involve taking a victim's blood and certain parts of their body -- eyes, eyelashes, ears, genitalia, tongue, lips, pieces of skin, the brain -- which are supposed to bring health, riches, success and power.

"It's getting worse. We've already counted 19 cases since the start of the year", including 10 children, says Jean-Elvis Ebang Ondo, the president and founder of the Association against Ritual Crime (ALCR). His own 12-year-old son was kidnapped, killed and mutilated in 2005.

ALCR's most recent report, which covers four provinces, found 34 cases in 2010 and 62 in 2011. The majority were children -- the most sought-after victims in this kind of crime.

The police don't recognise these statistics, however, con-

sidering that some of these deaths are not related to ritual crime.

Despite the fact that without an autopsy it is impossible to prove whether or not they are ritual killings, grisly murders regularly make the front page of the papers. The reports stir up anger at what people see as the authorities' failure to act.

The situation was further inflamed recently when a planned protest march was banned.

Soon afterwards, hackers claiming to be from Anonymous published a video containing shocking images of mutilated bodies and organs, a campaign -- christened Operation Gabon -- spread across Twitter with followers using the hashtags #OpGabon and #SOSGabon to denounce ritual crime. Activist site Avaaz.org started a petition, "Stop ritual crime in Gabon".

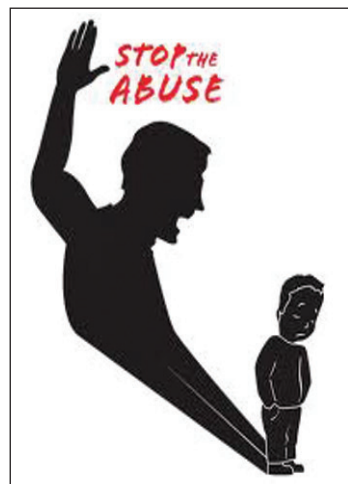
The unprecedented level of attention embarrassed the Gabonese government and pushed President Bongo to react.



MADRID (AFP) - Thousands of doctors, nurses and other healthcare workers, many wearing white lab coats, and their supporters marched in Madrid Sunday to protest against government spending cuts and plans to partly privatise medical services. The demonstrators blew whistles and chanted "nothing for the private sector" as they marched from leading hospitals in Madrid to the landmark Plaza de Sol square in the centre of the Spanish capital. Police put the turnout at between 3,000 and 5,000 people. However the protest organisers gave an estimate of 70,000 people. The conservative government of Prime Minister Mariano Rajoy has slashed health spending by seven billion euros (\$9.1 billion) a year as part of a campaign to squeeze 150 billion euros out of the crisis-hit country's budget by 2014. The Madrid regional government plans to outsource management of six of 20 large public hospitals and of 27 health centres of the 270 in the region. It argues the measure is needed to secure health services during a steep recession and meet deficit-reduction targets. But Spanish healthcare workers and patients say private providers will put profits before quality and lead to a deterioration of the public health system.



DENVER (AFP) - Thousands of men and women celebrate the legalization of marijuana during a "420" event at Denver's Civic Center. "This is what freedom smells like," attorney Rob Corry told the crowd, as he counted down the moments until 4:20pm CT, at which point literally thousands of people simultaneously exhaled marijuana smoke into the air, creating a haze that was visible for blocks away. Dozens of vendors quickly set up shop, offering items ranging from marijuana smoking pipes to various food offerings like "giant turkey legs." And one didn't have to walk far without being offered several varieties of marijuana for sale, which is still illegal under Colorado law. In November 2012, more than a million Colorado voters (55.32 percent) supported the passage of Measure 64, which legalized the recreational use of marijuana in the state. However, the consumption of the drug remains illegal under federal law.





## Sci-Tech

## Earth Day: The History of A Movement

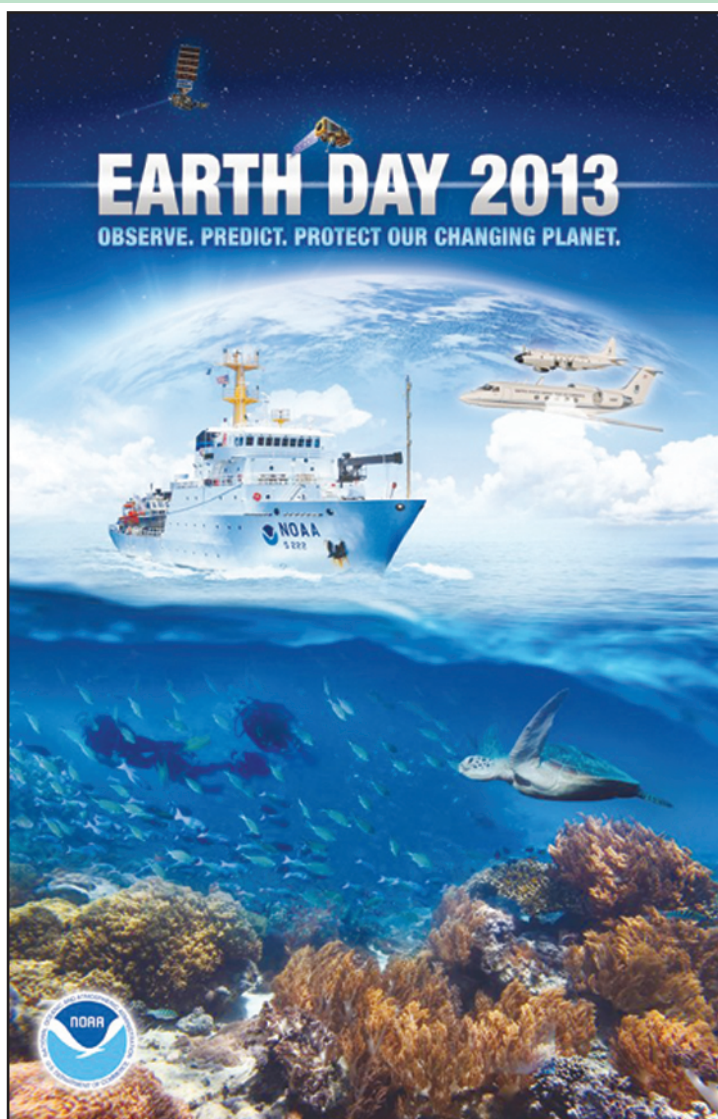
--Each year, Earth Day -- April 22 -- marks the anniversary of what many consider the birth of the modern environmental movement in 1970.

The height of hippie and flower-child culture in the United States, 1970 brought the death of Jimi Hendrix, the last Beatles album, and Simon & Garfunkel's "Bridge Over Troubled Water". Protest was the order of the day, but saving the planet was not the cause. War raged in Vietnam, and students nationwide increasingly opposed it.

At the time, Americans were slurping leaded gas through massive V8 sedans. Industry belched out smoke and sludge with little fear of legal consequences or bad press. Air pollution was commonly accepted as the smell of prosperity. "Environment" was a word that appeared more often in spelling bees than on the evening news. Although mainstream America remained oblivious to environmental concerns, the stage had been set for change by the publication of Rachel Carson's New York Times bestseller *Silent Spring* in 1962. The book represented a watershed moment for the modern environmental movement, selling more than 500,000 copies in 24 countries and, up until that moment, more than any other person, Ms. Carson raised public awareness and concern for living organisms, the environment and public health.

Earth Day 1970 capitalized on the emerging consciousness, channeling the energy of the anti-war protest movement and putting environmental concerns front and center.

The idea came to Earth Day founder Gaylord Nelson, then a U.S. Senator from Wisconsin, after witnessing the ravages of the 1969 massive oil spill in Santa Barbara, California. Inspired by the student anti-war movement, he realized that if he could infuse that energy with an emerging public consciousness about air and water pollution, it would force environmental protection onto the national political agenda. Senator Nelson announced the idea for a "national teach-in on the environment" to the national media; persuaded Pete McCloskey, a conservation-minded Republican Congressman, to serve as his co-chair; and recruited Denis Hayes as national coordinator. Hayes built a national staff of 85 to promote events across the land.



As a result, on the 22nd of April, 20 million Americans took to the streets, parks, and auditoriums to demonstrate for a healthy, sustainable environment in massive coast-to-coast rallies. Thousands of colleges and universities organized protests against the deterioration of the environment. Groups that had been fighting against oil spills, polluting factories and power plants, raw sewage, toxic dumps, pesticides, freeways, the loss of wilderness, and the extinction of wildlife suddenly realized they shared common values.

Earth Day 1970 achieved a rare political alignment, enlisting support from Republicans and Democrats, rich and poor, city slickers and farmers, tycoons and labor leaders. The first Earth Day led to the creation of the United States Environmental Protection Agency and the passage of the Clean Air, Clean Water, and Endangered Species Acts. "It was a gamble," Gaylord recalled, "but it worked."

As 1990 approached, a group of environmental leaders asked Denis Hayes to organize another big campaign. This time, Earth Day went global, mobilizing 200 million people in 141 countries and lifting environmental issues onto the world stage.

Earth Day 1990 gave a huge boost to recycling efforts worldwide and helped pave the way for the 1992 United

Nations Earth Summit in Rio de Janeiro. It also prompted President Bill Clinton to award Senator Nelson the Presidential Medal of Freedom (1995) -- the highest honor given to civilians in the United States -- for his role as Earth Day founder.

As the millennium approached, Hayes agreed to spearhead another campaign, this time focused on global warming and a push for clean energy. With 5,000 environmental groups in a record 184 countries reaching out to hundreds of millions of people, Earth Day 2000 combined the big-picture feistiness of the first Earth Day with the international grassroots activism of Earth Day 1990. It used the Internet to organize activists, but also featured a talking drum chain that traveled from village to village in Gabon, Africa, and hundreds of thousands of people gathered on the National Mall in Washington, DC. Earth Day 2000 sent world leaders the loud and clear message that citizens around the world wanted quick and decisive action on clean energy.

Much like 1970, Earth Day 2010 came at a time of great challenge for the environmental community. Climate change deniers, well-funded oil lobbyists, reticent politi-

cians, a disinterested public, and a divided environmental community all contributed to a strong narrative that overshadowed the cause of progress and change. In spite of the challenge, for its 40th anniversary, Earth Day Network reestablished Earth Day as a powerful focal point around which people could demonstrate their commitment. Earth Day Network brought 225,000 people to the National Mall for a Climate Rally, amassed 40 million environmental service actions toward its 2012 goal of A Billion Acts of Green®, launched an international, 1-million tree planting initiative with Avatar director James Cameron and tripled its online base to over 900,000 community members.

The fight for a clean environment continues in a climate of increasing urgency, as the ravages of climate change become more manifest every day. We invite you to be a part of Earth Day and help write many more victories and successes into our history. Discover energy you didn't even know you had. Feel it rumble through the grassroots under your feet and the technology at your fingertips. Channel it into building a clean, healthy, diverse world for generations to come.

## Earth Day 2013



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## ACROSS

1. Air-rifle ammo
4. Not so much
8. Fresh way to start
12. Snaky fish
13. Workout spot for females (abbr.)
14. Simple
15. Greek letter
16. The Wilsons, to Dennis the Menace
18. Fanatical
20. "My Gal \_\_\_\_"
21. Sandwich shop
24. Profundity
28. Drug-regulating org.
30. "\_\_\_\_ Believer" (2 wds.)
32. Portal
33. Jug handle
34. Speed abbr.
35. Two make a qt.
36. Pitt of "The Mexican"
38. Ginger \_\_\_\_
39. Olden car
40. Commence
42. Workout spot (abbr.)
44. \_\_\_\_ Lanka
46. Gossip Hopper
50. Underline, perhaps
55. Internet service (abbr.)
56. Forfeit
57. Blue flower
58. Teen's rock sta.

59. By \_\_\_\_ and

60. Enervates
61. Bounding main

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2. Second Greek letter
3. Thick piece
4. "Hollywood Squares" center square, once
5. Flock member
6. School subj.
7. Becomes droopy
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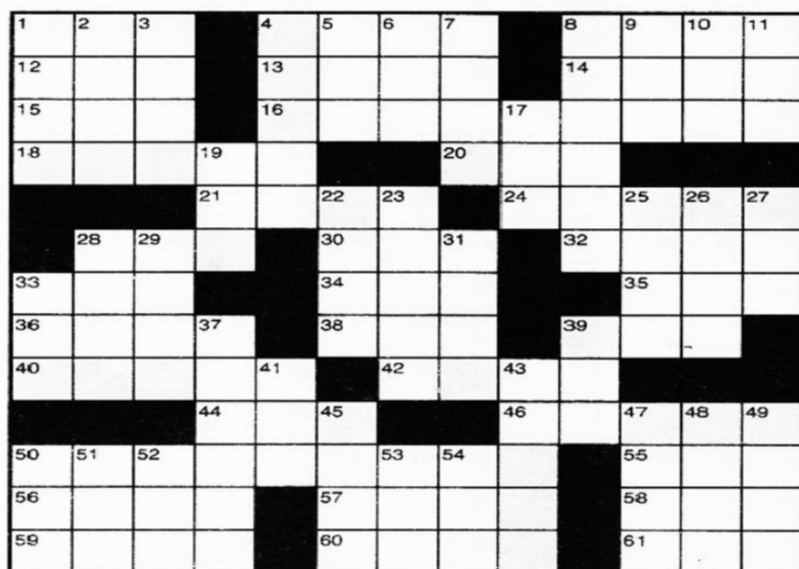
23. Suggest
25. John Paul II, e.g.
26. Oz canine
27. Time periods (abbr.)
28. Bus payment
29. Tow along
31. "Excuse me!"
33. Recede
37. Platters
39. "Norma \_\_\_\_"
41. Gun lobby (abbr.)
43. Kasparov's game
45. Egyptian deity
47. Beavers'

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48. \_\_\_\_ on (shower with attention)
49. Edison's middle name
50. Santa's helper
51. "Me," to Miss Piggy
52. California's time (abbr.)
53. George Gershwin's brother
54. Fastening noise



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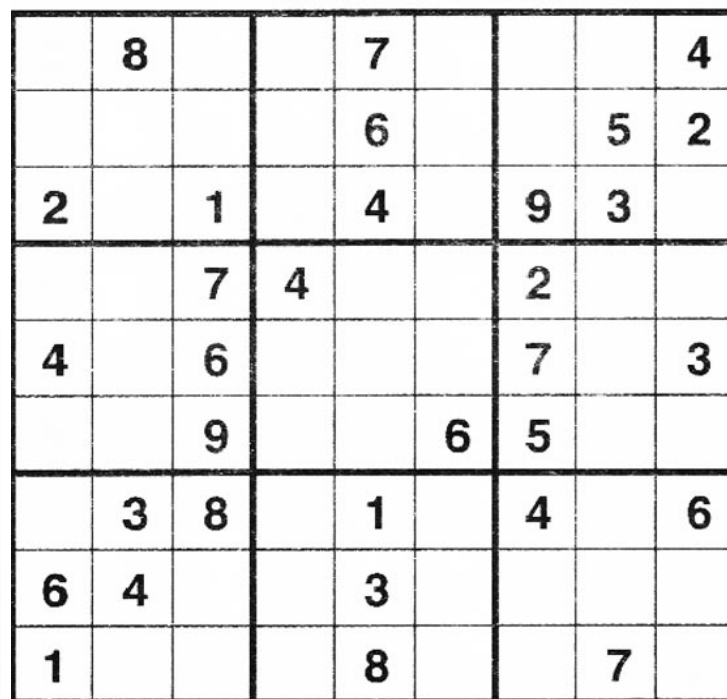
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## Finance

# Swiss 'could adapt' to easing of bank secrecy: bankers

GENEVA (AFP) - Swiss banks could adapt to a significant easing of their cherished secrecy practices, but only if global standards are created for information exchange to fight tax evasion, the head of the Swiss Bankers Association said in an interview published Sunday.

"Today, there is no global standard" for the automatic exchange of banking information, Patrick Odier told the NZZ am Sonntag weekly.

"If that changed, we could also adapt," he said, stressing the importance of Switzerland's participation in creating the global standards.

In Switzerland, banking secrecy has for decades been seen as an immutable practice aimed at privacy protection, in

the same way as medical confidentiality.

Although the Alpine country has recently been cracking down on undeclared funds in a bid to clear its reputation as a tax haven, it has so far stubbornly refused to consider allowing the automatic exchange of banking information.

Odier said in Sunday's interview that the best platform for creating global standards on the transfer of banking details was the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD).

Switzerland is one of 14 countries which have not yet signed on to the basic ideas of bank information sharing under the OECD Global Forum guidelines.

Odier insisted it was vital that Switzerland be "represented with the best possible people, so we can have a say in the drafting of the standards," also urging Bern to be "proactive" in taxation discussions with its European neighbours.

Odier meanwhile said he did not expect Swiss banking secrecy to disappear completely.

"We must now create a banking secrecy that guarantees confidentiality, but which cannot be misused for illegal purposes," he said.

Odier's comments were published two days after the Group of 20 economic powers called for the global adoption of standards for sharing bank account information to fight tax evasion.

## Oil buyers owe \$4bn to Iran: top official

TEHRAN (AFP) - Iran is owed \$4 billion for oil sales to customers who have been unable to pay because of sanctions imposed on the Islamic republic over its nuclear programme, a top Iranian oil official said on Sunday.

"We have been unable to get paid around four billion dollars due to the sanctions," National Iranian Oil Company chief Ahmad Qalebani told reporters when asked about the amount owed by customers, mostly Western, to Iran.

"There is a possibility that it could be paid either as medicine, food or barter of commodities," he told a press conference on the sidelines of an oil and gas trade fair in Tehran.

Qalebani did not give details on these customers.

But on Saturday, Oil Minister Rostam Qasemi said that Anglo-Dutch energy giant Shell was among the firms that owes Tehran petro-dollars which the Islamic republic can

not repatriate due to sanctions.

"Currently, we have approximately \$2.336 million payable to and \$11 million receivable from National Iranian Oil Company. We are unable to settle the payable position as a result of applicable sanctions," Shell said in its 2012 annual report.

Last December, Economy Minister Shamseddin Hosseini said that Tehran is losing half of its oil revenues because of international sanctions imposed over its disputed nuclear programme.

Iran is struggling against what it calls an "economic war" to cope with punitive measures targeting its vital oil income and access to global financial systems.

An oil embargo imposed by the European Union on Iran came into effect in July 2012, ending European purchases of Iranian crude. It has also lowered purchases by major Asian customers under pressure from the United States.

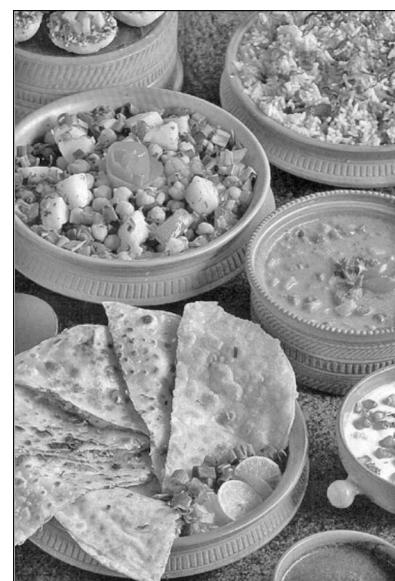
Iran's oil output dropped to 2.67 million barrels per day in February from 2.72 in the previous month, OPEC said in April, citing secondary sources.

On Saturday, Qasemi confirmed that production and export of oil had declined in 2012.

Iran is now OPEC's fourth biggest producer, after Saudi Arabia, Iraq and Kuwait, according to the cartel's data. In 2011, it ranked second.



GAZA CITY (AFP) - : A Palestinian woman carries an empty gas bottle to be refilled at a warehouse in Gaza City on April 21, 2013. The Gaza Strip has been facing a gas crisis for the past two months partially due to the frequent closure of their border crossings by neighboring Israel



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## One in three Greeks yearns for junta years

ATHENS (AFP) - Nearly a third of Greeks reckon their crisis-wracked country was better off under the 1967-1974 junta, according to a new survey published Sunday.

The Metron Analysis poll found that 30 percent of those questioned yearned for the "better" days under what was known as "the Regime of the Colonels" -- a seven-year military dictatorship that began with a coup on April 21, 1967.

On the anniversary 46 years later, Greece is struggling with a deep recession with a debt-laden economy reliant on EU/IMF loans and marked by

severe austerity, 27 percent unemployment, and rising suicide and murder rates.

Those nostalgic for the era of repressive military rule -- including nearly half those voting for the conservative New Democracy party of Prime Minister Antonis Samaras -- said they missed the security and perceived higher living standards it enshrined, according to the survey published by the leftwing daily Eleftherotypia.

Lefwing and anti-racist groups were to mark the coup anniversary with rallies in several cities including Athens.

## Israel ratifies EU Open Skies deal as airlines strike

JERUSALEM (AFP) - The Israeli government approved an Open Skies deal with European carriers on Sunday, as local airline workers went on strike with hundreds burning tyres outside the premier's office in protest against the plan.

Natanyahu said the finance and tourism ministers would have 45 days to address questions raised during the discussion which took place before the deal was approved by the cabinet.

Tourism Minister Uzi Landau praised the deal in a statement saying "the cabinet took the right decision for the citizens of Israel, for Israeli economy and for tourism in Israel."

Israel's three airlines -- El Al, Arkia and Israir -- are bitterly opposed to the deal, saying it would result in widespread layoffs.

The Histadrut Labour Federation also announced that Ben Gurion Airport in Tel Aviv will shut down for a few hours Tuesday as staff observe a strike in solidarity with airline workers.

Flights in and out of Israel's main airport will be suspended during the duration of the strike, a Histadrut delegate told military radio.

Staff at Israeli carriers El Al, Arkia and Israir meanwhile decided to pursue indefinitely the strike they launched on Sunday.

## SATURDAY'S Crossword Answer

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## 'Imbecilic' song for new Dutch king withdrawn after outcry

THE HAGUE (AFP) - Dutch organisers were scrambling Sunday to find a new song to mark the upcoming enthronement of the Netherlands' new king after a serenade written especially for the inauguration attracted a storm of criticism for its "imbecilic" lyrics.

"Dear compatriots, after having to block yet another insult on my Twitter account, I am now totally done," Dutch-British composer John Ewbank wrote on his Facebook page late Saturday.

"My apologies to those who found it an appropriate song... but I hereby withdraw the Koningslied (King's Song) and wish you plenty of success" in singing one of the unofficial songs written for the inauguration of the new Dutch monarch, Willem-Alexander, on April 30.

Tens of thousands of Dutch citizens have been voicing their dismay since the song was unveiled on Friday, trashing the anthem which is an unlikely combination of traditional, rap and choir music.

An online petition rejecting what is described as an "imbecilic" tune has been signed by more than 38,000 people.

The song, which lasts just over five minutes, is performed by 51 Dutch artists, many of them stars in the Netherlands.

They belt out much-mocked lyrics such as: "I build a dyke with my bare hands and keep the water away" and "three fingers in the air, come on, come on. That's the W (sign) for Willem, the W which represents being wakeful and eating 'stamppot' (a traditional Dutch dish made from vegetables and a sausage)."

Summing up much of the tune's criticism in the Netherlands, with its strong egalitarian and Protestant roots, one anonymous petitioner comments: "The song makes it sound like Willem-Alexander is some kind of god and we're his underlings to whom he gives his life... away with it!"

The plan was for all the artists to come together for a concert in Rotterdam on April 30 when the country will be holding nationwide celebrations to mark the royal handover.

The National Inauguration Committee tasked with arranging the event said they were disappointed but understood Ewbank's decision.

## Earth Day 2013: The Face of Climate Change



### Climate change has many faces.

A man in the Maldives worried about relocating his family as sea levels rise, a farmer in Kansas struggling to make ends meet as prolonged drought ravages the crops, a fisherman on the Niger River whose nets often come up empty, a child in New Jersey who lost her home to a super-storm, a woman in Bangladesh who can't get fresh water due to more frequent flooding and cyclones...

And they're not only human faces.

They're the polar bear in the melting arctic, the tiger in India's threatened mangrove forests, the right whale in plankton-poor parts of the warming North Atlantic, the orangutan in Indonesian forests segmented by more frequent bushfires and droughts...

These faces of climate change are multiplying every day.

For many, climate change can often seem remote and hazy – a vague and complex problem far off in the distance that our grandchildren may have to solve. But that's only because they're still fortunate enough to be insulated from its mounting consequences. Climate change has very real effects on people, animals, and

the ecosystems and natural resources on which we all depend. Left unchecked, they'll spread like wildfire.

Luckily, other faces of climate change are also multiplying every day.

Every person who does his or her part to fix the problem is also a Face of Climate Change: the entrepreneurs who see opportunity in creating the new green economy, the activists who organize community action and awareness campaigns, the engineers who design the clean technology of the future, the public servants who fight for climate change laws and for mitigation efforts, the ordinary people who commit to living sustainably...

Toay, April 22, 2013, more than one billion people around the world will take part in the 43rd anniversary of Earth Day. From Beijing to Cairo, Melbourne to London, Rio to Johannesburg, New Delhi to New York, communities everywhere will voice their concerns for the planet, and take action to protect it. They'll harness that power to show the world The Face of Climate Change and call on leaders to act boldly together, as they have, in this pivotal year.

## Buyers swarm opening of China auto show



A model posing next to a Porsche Panamera Hybrid electric version



Visitors looking at a Lexus LF-CC car

SHANGHAI (AFP) - Chinese buyers swarmed around hundreds of vehicles at the Shanghai auto show at its opening on Sunday, highlighting the importance of the world's largest car market to manufacturers. Chinese and foreign automakers used models dressed as Playboy bunnies and dance performances to capture the eyes of potential customers, while long lines formed to try out driving simulators at one Japanese company. China's auto sales reached 19.31 million vehicles last year, a 4.3 percent rise from 2011, according to a Chinese industry group. The country has been the world's largest auto market since 2009. Competition has become more intense as sales growth has slowed since 2010 and more companies have piled into the promising market. Sales of Japanese brands in China have suffered since last year amid political row over disputed islands that sparked street protests across the country and calls for boycotts. Toyota's China president, Hiroji Onishi, said he expected sales to recover later this year as the company launched new products, despite the lingering anti-Japanese sentiment and more competition.



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on the stone is a supremely healthy method of preparation, seasoned to perfection and using no fats or oils. Fish in particular is excellent; extremely moist and tasty. A thick cut of filet mignon usually requires cutting into smaller sections to cook fully, especially if your preference is medium-well to well done.

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## Gold Coast Aruba: This is the time to invest

--Management of Gold Coast Aruba, the island's newest and most innovative gated community, reports that sales have been very good and encouraging as the global economy recovers and people looking to purchase vacation homes have found that Gold Coast is an outstanding investment value. Director of Sales, Fito Croes has noticed a surprising percentage of owners in reality do not spend a great amount of time personally to use the villas or town homes they purchase, but are taking advantage of Gold Coast's rental services to turn their investment into ready income.

"The greater portion of home owners are using their "home away from home" in Aruba to escape the winter months, or spend holidays with the family on the island," he remarked, "but I am gratified by how many are buying because they felt secure with real estate investment on Aruba. They really study the history and economy of the island and are impressed with the political stability and continually increasing value of prime locations. Gold Coast is in the heart of Malmok, considered Aruba's most exclusive community where the value of properties has only increased over time. It is only minutes to the best beaches



and all the action, and yet offers a quiet and secluded getaway; we are very pleased by the response to our concept."

Fito, with his sister Mayrin and brother Rudy operate Cas Bon, which has been constructing homes and building developments for all budgets for nearly twenty years. "Gold Coast Aruba is the jewel in our crown," observes Fito. "We were very excited about this project and the scope of actual and planned facilities and amenities. We have spoken to countless island visitors to find out what they would really want in a permanent residence on Aruba, and took from there."

Input from frequent vacationers who have dreamed of their own home in Aruba contributed to the realization of

Gold Coast Aruba which when complete will be a community of 260 town homes, villas and condominiums with a stunning clubhouse complemented by two additional community pool areas. The Clubhouse is about to start construction and will offer to the community homeowners and visitors 2 tennis courts, full service spa and fitness center as well as a stunning pool area and is expected to be complete by early 2013. It will also house a restaurant and mini-market.

Owners who purchased upon the groundbreaking only a few short years ago, are already enjoying a nearly 50% appreciation on their investment, particularly those taking advantage of the on site management's rental services program. There is always a great

demand for Aruba and facilities such as those at Gold Coast, make it easy for some owners to see a valuable return on their investment.

The design of the residences and public areas is open, airy and spacious, taking full advantage of the island environment, with quality construction and finishing available. Partnering with two of Aruba's top providers of kitchens and bathrooms enables developers to offer custom options allowing buyers to individualize their homes. An elegant and chic furniture package is available or island designers will assist owners in finishing the décor to their specific tastes.

There are many aspects to purchasing property; not the least is the future value of the

investment. To further enhance this, Gold Coast management have inaugurated a number of in-house services and have recently become affiliated Interval International, the world's largest network of vacation ownership properties which provides an unlimited international pool of investors to tap for ownership and rental prospects. Property exchange for a vacation in another destination is also available through the Interval International affiliation. Gold Coast's own rental services have also proven highly successful in assisting owners in renting their villas; 24-hour security and maintenance services also tip the scales when it is time to make a decision. Aside from all this, housekeeping, child care, catering services, car rental through its partnership with AVIS car rental are also available as well as pre-shopping services so cupboards and refrigerators are stocked upon arrival, which can also be arranged through their property management department. Personnel are also available to assist in arranging restaurant reservations and island activities.

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## SPORTS

### Boxing: Alvarez earns unanimous decision over Trout



"Canelo" Alvarez, left, lands a punch on Austin Trout

SAN ANTONIO (AFP) - Saul "Canelo" Alvarez notched a 12-round unanimous decision victory over Austin Trout Saturday to unify the World Boxing Council and World Boxing Association light middleweight titles.

Mexico's Alvarez remained unbeaten, improving to 42-0-1 with 30 knockouts as he retained his WBC title and handed Trout the first defeat of his career to capture the American's WBA belt.

"This is for my brother," said Alvarez, whose brother Rigoberto was beaten by Trout in 2011 for the vacant WBA light middleweight crown. "It was a

big motivation for this fight."

The three judges at ringside scored it overwhelmingly in Alvarez's favor: 115-112, 116-111 and 118-109.

Alvarez landed a sharp straight right that knocked down Trout seconds into the seventh round -- the first time the American had ever been down.

Trout acknowledged that the hard-punching Alvarez surprised him with his boxing skills and quickness.

The crowd of nearly 40,000 at San Antonio's Alamodome was pro-Alvarez, and the 22-year-old from Guadalajara appreciated their backing.



LONDON -- Nathan Cleverly eases to WBO title win over Robin Krasniqi, two of the judges scored it 120-108 to Cleverly, with the other 119-109. The fifth title defence extended Cleverly's (L) unbeaten record to 26 fights, but the performance lacked dynamism against a durable yet limited opponent.

### Formula One: Vettel soars clear with Bahrain triumph

MANAMA (AFP) - Defending triple world champion Sebastian Vettel opened up a clear lead at the top of this year's title race on Sunday when he cruised to victory for Red Bull in the Bahrain Grand Prix. The race finished without any disruption amid tight security and despite earlier clashes between police and Shiite protesters in villages in the troubled Gulf kingdom. Vettel -- who beat Lotus duo Kimi Raikkonen and Romain Grosjean in a repeat of last year's finishing order -- proved himself as a master of the conditions in a hot and dusty desert contest.



It was the 25-year-old German's second win in four races this year and the 28th of his career as he repeated his victory of 2012. The victory saw him move into sixth on the all-time list of Grand Prix wins taking him past Jackie Stewart. He now has 77 points as leader in pursuit of a fourth successive championship triumph, 10 more than nearest rival Raikkonen. (photo shows Red Bull driver Sebastian Vettel of Germany, winner, second right, second placed Lotus driver Kimi Raikkonen of Finland, left, and Lotus driver Romain Grosjean of France, right, stand on the winner's podium)

### Boston tributes, tighter security at London Marathon



LONDON (AFP) - Tens of thousands of runners flowed through the British capital Sunday in the London Marathon, after a solemn 30-second silence at the start for the victims of the bomb attacks at the Boston Marathon barely a week ago.

Many of the 35,000 competitors wore black ribbons to remember those killed and wounded by the blasts in the United States.

Security for the London race was tightened in the wake of the Boston carnage last

Monday, with several hundred extra police officers drafted in along the 26.2-mile (42.2-kilometre) course.

After the participants, Olympic athletes among them, bowed their heads for the half-minute silence, they raised a huge cheer.

Organisers announced that £2 (\$3, 2.30 euros) for every finisher would be donated to a fund for the Boston victims.

Ethiopia's Tsegaye Kebede clocked 2 hours, 6 minutes and 15 seconds Sunday to emulate his 2010 triumph in London.

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## Tennis: Djokovic ends Nadal's eight-year Monte Carlo reign

MONTE-CARLO (AFP) - Novak Djokovic ended Rafael Nadal's dreams of a record ninth successive Monte Carlo Masters title with a 6-2, 7-6 (7/1) victory in the final on Sunday.

The world number one had been a doubtful starter this week with an injured ankle but played through the pain to lift his first trophy in the principal-ity, the 37th of his career and 14th at the Masters 1000 level.

It was also a huge psychological boost ahead of next month's French Open where Nadal is a record seven-time champion.

Nadal had reigned supreme at the Monte Carlo Country



Club since his last loss in 2003, when he was still a teenager, and had won every edition since 2005.

Djokovic, who achieved the win in one hour, 51 minutes, was overwhelmed.

Nadal, who returned to tennis in February after seven months out with a knee injury, now stands 38-6 in clay finals, losing to only three players -- Djokovic (three times) Roger Federer (twice) and Horacio Zeballos (once).

Before the final, the Spaniard had lost only one set all week after playing in his fifth straight final since his return to the circuit.

The Serb, who came to the final with titles at the Australian Open and Dubai, broke back for 6-6 through a back-hand winner to force the tiebreaker.

He ran away with the decider, seizing the win on the first of five match points with a forehand winner to the corner.

Djokovic becomes the first player to beat Nadal three times in a clay court final.

He claimed his first Monte Carlo title after losing the 2009 and 2012 finals to the Spaniard.

Nadal is far from disheartened as he heads to defend his title in Barcelona next week.

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**Andre Miller #24 of the Denver Nuggets lays in the game winning shot against Draymond Green #23 of the Golden State Warriors with 1.2 seconds remaining**

The day's other Western Conference contest was a nail-biter, with veteran guard Andre Miller scoring the game-winning layup with 1.2 seconds left to lift the Denver Nuggets to a 97-95 win over the Golden State Warriors in the first game of their best-of-seven series.

The 37-year-old Miller clinched the home win for the Nuggets in Denver, as he beat Warriors defender Draymond Green one-on-one then sailed through the air to finish off the nifty shot.

Miller drove left then shifted right to throw off Green, 23, who couldn't stay with the crafty veteran.

Miller said some much needed time off and whirlpool baths during the break between the end of the regular season on Wednesday and the playoffs helped him maintain his intensity throughout Saturday's playoff thriller.

Warriors star Stephen Curry drained a three pointer to level the score with just 14 seconds

left in the fourth in front of a crowd of 19,155.

But as good as he was, Curry couldn't outdo Miller, who finished with a game-high 28 points for the Nuggets. Denver earned their 24th straight win at home.

Ty Lawson had 12 points, while Wilson Chandler finished with 11 points and 13 rebounds for the third-seeded Nuggets.

Evan Fournier started for Denver in place of forward Kenneth Faried, who is suffering from a left ankle injury and did not play. Fournier had 11 points.

Klay Thompson had 22 points, while Curry added 19 points and nine assists for sixth seeded Golden State.

David Lee added 10 points and 14 rebounds for the Warriors before hobbling out of the game in the fourth quarter with an apparent hip injury -- a blow for a Warriors team in the playoffs for the first time since the 2006-07 season.

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### MLB Standings

#### American League

| East      | W  | L  | Pct  | GB  |
|-----------|----|----|------|-----|
| BOSTON    | 12 | 05 | .706 | --  |
| BALTIMORE | 10 | 07 | .588 | 2.0 |
| YANKEES   | 10 | 07 | .588 | 2.0 |
| TORONTO   | 08 | 10 | .421 | 5.0 |
| TAMPA     | 07 | 10 | .412 | 5.0 |

| Central   | W  | L  | Pct  | GB  |
|-----------|----|----|------|-----|
| KANSAS    | 09 | 07 | .562 | --  |
| DETROIT   | 09 | 08 | .529 | 0.5 |
| MINNESOTA | 07 | 07 | .500 | 1.0 |
| CHICAGO   | 07 | 10 | .412 | 2.5 |
| CLEVELAND | 06 | 10 | .375 | 3.0 |

| West       | W  | L  | Pct  | GB  |
|------------|----|----|------|-----|
| OAKLAND    | 12 | 06 | .667 | --  |
| TEXAS      | 11 | 06 | .647 | 0.5 |
| LA ANGELES | 06 | 10 | .375 | 5.0 |
| SEATTLE    | 07 | 12 | .368 | 5.5 |
| HOUSTON    | 05 | 12 | .294 | 6.5 |

#### National League

| East         | W  | L  | Pct  | GB   |
|--------------|----|----|------|------|
| ATLANTA      | 13 | 04 | .765 | --   |
| WASHINGTON   | 10 | 08 | .556 | 3.5  |
| NY METS      | 09 | 08 | .529 | 4.0  |
| PHILADELPHIA | 07 | 11 | .389 | 6.5  |
| MIAMI        | 04 | 15 | .211 | 10.0 |

| Central    | W  | L  | Pct  | GB  |
|------------|----|----|------|-----|
| ST. LOUIS  | 10 | 07 | .588 | --  |
| CINCINNATI | 11 | 08 | .579 | --  |
| PITTSBURGH | 09 | 08 | .529 | 1.0 |
| MILWAUKEE  | 08 | 08 | .500 | 1.5 |
| CHICAGO    | 05 | 11 | .312 | 4.5 |

| West          | W  | L  | Pct  | GB  |
|---------------|----|----|------|-----|
| COLORADO      | 13 | 04 | .765 | --  |
| SAN FRANCISCO | 11 | 07 | .611 | 2.5 |
| ARIZONA       | 09 | 08 | .529 | 4.0 |
| DODGERS       | 07 | 10 | .412 | 6.0 |
| SAN DIEGO     | 05 | 12 | .294 | 8.0 |

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## NBA: First-round playoff results .....



**Carmelo Anthony #7 of the New York Knicks controls the ball on a steal attempt by Jeff Green #8 of the Boston Celtics**

NEW YORK (AFP) - Carmelo Anthony carried his late-season scoring assault into the NBA playoffs Saturday, netting 36 points in the New York Knicks' 85-78 victory over the Boston Celtics in the opener of their first-round series.

Anthony shot 13-of-29 from the field and added a half-dozen rebounds and four steals for the Knicks, who were swept by Boston in the first round of the Eastern Conference playoffs two years ago.

The Knicks weren't the only New York team to win on the first day of the post-season as the Brooklyn Nets -- in the playoffs in their first season since moving to the New York borough -- dominated the Chicago Bulls en route to a 106-89 victory.

Deron Williams scored 22 points and Brook Lopez added 21 for the Nets, who earned their first post-season win since May 16, 2007.

Joe Johnson totaled 16 points and Reggie Evans grabbed 13 rebounds for Brooklyn.

As they have done all season, the Bulls made do without star point guard Derrick Rose, who hasn't returned since tearing a knee ligament in last year's playoff opener.

Carlos Boozer had 25 points and Nate Robinson

scored 17 off the bench.

For the Knicks, protecting their home court was much tougher against the Celtics, who led by as many as seven in the third quarter.

But the Knicks clamped down on defense, forcing Boston to make eight turnovers in the fourth quarter.

New York held the Celtics to just eight points in the fourth and 25 overall in the second half. Boston shot 25.9 percent in the second half.

J.R. Smith netted 15 points, while Raymond Felton added 13 points and six assists for the Knicks who held a 10-4 advantage in offensive rebounds and a 12-6 edge in second-chance points.

New York scored 20 points off Boston's 21 turnovers in the contest.

Boston's Jeff Green scored 20 of his 26 points in the first half and Paul Pierce finished with 21 points and seven assists in the defeat.

And in Los Angeles - Chris Paul scored 23 points and handed out seven assists Saturday as the Los Angeles Clippers downed the Memphis Grizzlies 112-91 in the first game of their NBA playoff first-round series.

Eric Bledsoe scored 13 of his 15 points for Los Angeles in the final quarter, when the Clippers connected on 15-of-

22 from the field and out-scored the Grizzlies 37-22.

Seven Clippers players scored in double-figures as Los Angeles doused the Grizzlies' hopes of getting off to a fast start in their bid to avenge a seven-game, Western Conference first-round loss to Los Angeles last year.

Jerryd Bayless scored 19

points off the bench for the Grizzlies, who also received 16 points and seven assists from Marc Gasol. But the Clippers out-rebounded the Grizzlies 47-23.

The Pacific Division champion Clippers, seeded fourth in the Western Conference, led by just one point after Grizzlies reserve Keyon Dooling

drained a three-pointer to pull within 77-76 with 10:11 remaining.

Clippers reserve Bledsoe then drove for a layup to launch a 7-0 scoring run as Los Angeles thwarted every Memphis attempt to rally.

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